UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO WESTERN DIVISION AT CINCINNATI

CALESHA HARRIS, : Case No. 1:23-cv-77

Petitioner,

: District Judge Michael R. Barrett

vs. : Magistrate Judge Kimberly A. Jolson

WARDEN, DAYTON

CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION,

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Respondent. :

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION

Petitioner has filed a petition for a writ of habeas corpus in this Court. (See Doc. 1). On February 13, 2023, the Court issued a Deficiency Order requiring petitioner to either pay the \$5.00 filing fee or file a motion for leave to proceed without prepayment of fees within thirty (30) days. (Doc. 3). Additionally, because petitioner failed to sign the petition submitted to the Court, petitioner was further ordered to sign the petition and return it to the Clerk of Court within thirty (30) days. Petitioner was advised that "failure to respond to this Order will result in the dismissal of this action for want of prosecution." (Id. at PageID 32).

To date, more than thirty days after February 13, 2023 Deficiency Order, petitioner has failed to comply with the Order of the Court.

"District courts have the inherent power to sua sponte dismiss civil actions for want of prosecution to manage their own affairs so as to achieve the orderly and expeditious disposition of cases." *Link v. Wabash* R.R., 370 U.S. 626, 630–631 (1962). Failure of a party to respond to an order of the Court warrants invocation of the Court's inherent power in this federal habeas corpus proceeding. *See* Fed. R. Civ. P. 41(b); *see also* Rule 11, Rules Governing Section 2254 Cases in

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the United States District Courts, 28 U.S.C. foll. § 2254.

Accordingly, this case should be dismissed for petitioner's failure to comply with the

Court's February 13, 2023 Order. *In re Alea*, 286 F.3d 378, 382 (6th Cir. 2002).

It is therefore **RECOMMENDED** that this matter be **DISMISSED** for lack of prosecution.

IT IS SO RECOMMENDED.

Date: March 27, 2023 s/Kimberly A. Jolson

Kimberly A. Jolson United States Magistrate Judge

NOTICE REGARDING OBJECTIONS

Pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 72(b), WITHIN 14 DAYS after being served with a copy of

the recommended disposition, a party may serve and file specific written objections to the proposed

findings and recommendations. This period may be extended further by the Court on timely

motion for an extension. Such objections shall specify the portions of the Report objected to and

shall be accompanied by a memorandum of law in support of the objections. If the Report and

Recommendation is based in whole or in part upon matters occurring on the record at an oral

hearing, the objecting party shall promptly arrange for the transcription of the record, or such

portions of it as all parties may agree upon, or the Magistrate Judge deems sufficient, unless the

assigned District Judge otherwise directs. A party may respond to another party's objections

WITHIN 14 DAYS after being served with a copy thereof. Failure to make objections in

accordance with this procedure may forfeit rights on appeal. See Thomas v. Arn, 474 U.S. 140

(1985); United States v. Walters, 638 F.2d 947 (6th Cir. 1981).

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